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Name of listed company: Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
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F. Hoffmann-La Roche Announces Third Quarter Sales 2008

F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd. (hereafter "Roche") [Head Office: Basel, Switzerland. CEO: Severin Schwan] announced today, its third quarter sales 2008(January 1 – September 30, 2008). Roche owns 59.9% of Chugai's outstanding shares (61.5% of voting rights) as of end of September 2008. Its press release and presentation materials can be found on its Website (<http://www.roche.com>).

Media Release

Presentation[PDF]

Chugai's sales for the period of January 1 to September 30, 2008 are included in the announced Roche Group's sales. These results are based on Roche's accounting policies which conform to International Financial Reporting Standards, which differ from generally accepted accounting standards in Japan.